



Climate Initiatives Task Force

January 25, 2021

1:00 PM

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Meeting Minutes

The following constitute minutes of the Climate Initiatives Task Force Meeting and are not a verbatim transcript of the proceedings. Audio and video recordings of the meetings are available for viewing and kept at the Office of the Governor-Coastal Activities Office in Baton Rouge, LA.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

Chairman Vorhoff, Present, Executive Assistant, Coastal Activities

Chuck Brown, Present, DEQ

Mark Moses, Present, DOA FP & C

Bren Haase, Present, CPRA

Jason Lanclos, Present, DNR

Brad Lambert, Present, LED

Joey Breaux, Present, LDAF

Eric Kalivoda, Present, DOTD

Timothy Hardy, Present, Designee of the President of the Senate

Selby Bush, Present, Designee of the Speaker of the House

Bill Robertson, Present, Designee of Public Service Commissioner

Tyler Gray, Present, LA Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association

Gregory Bowser, Present, LA Chemical Association

Jonathan Bourg, Present, Entergy

Virginia Burkett, Present, USGS

Karen Gautreaux, Present, LA Nature Conservancy

Flozell Daniels, Present, Foundation for Louisiana

Terrance Chambers, Present, University of Louisiana at Lafayette

Colette Pichon Battle, Present, Gulf Coast Center for Law & Policy
Chief Shirell Parfait-DarDar, Present, Tribal Chief of the Grand Caillou/Dulac Band of the Biloxi-Chitimacha-Choctaw
Robert Verchick, Present, Loyola University New Orleans
Camille Manning-Broome, Present, Center for Planning Excellence
Jeff Schwartz, Director of Economic Development for the City of New Orleans

III. Welcome and Opening Remarks – *Harry Vorhoff, Governor’s Office of Coastal Activities*

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Daniels
Second by Mr. Haase
Unanimously Approved

V. Overview of Draft Initial Sections of Climate Report – *Charles Sutcliffe and Lindsay Cooper, Governor’s Office of Coastal Activities (Video 00:13:16)*

- Outline of report given to members, review of table on contents, proposed interim report and charge of the task force.
- Review of need for action and climate risks, opportunities posed by climate action, problem contexts and progress update on the 2020 GHG emissions inventory.
- Also reviewed process sections, planning processes, 2021 work plan and meeting schedule and steps in structured decision making.
- Briefed board on synthesized fundamental objectives, reduction in net GHG emissions, managing for short & long term success, improving quality of life for residents & communities, equitable society, strengthening the workforce, conservation of natural resources and protection of the environment and adaptation to climate changes.
- Review of synthesized fundamental objectives and Committee and Advisory Group reports.

VI. Interim Report Discussion and Approval – *Task Force members (Video 01:52:33)*

- Motion made to adopt staff’s recommendations to include a status report on Committee and Advisory Group reports to frame the summary provided to the Governor in a letter from the Chairman of the Task Force.

Motion by Ms. Gautreaux
Second by Ms. Manning-Broome
Unanimously Approved

VII. Action Template Overview — *Charles Sutcliffe and Lindsay Cooper, Governor's Office of Coastal Activities (Video 01:18:17)*

- Briefed board on developers of the template, solicitation timeline and proposed action overview as well as impacts and feasibility of proposed action, implementation pathways and next steps.
- Also reviewed the background of the action proposal template, and instructions on how to fill out form

VIII. Review Action Template for Approval — *Task Force members (Video 02:20:30)*

- Motion made to adopt template for circulation subject to staff's recommendations and begin accepting public proposals from members of the task force, advisory groups and committees in February 2021.

Motion by Ms. Pichon-Battle

Second by Mr. Kalivoda

Unanimously Approved

IX. Next Steps — *Harry Vorhoff, Governor's Office of Coastal Activities (Video 02:29:28)*

- Doodle poll will be sent to members after meeting for February 2021 meeting.

X. Public Comment *(Video 02:30:10)*

XI. Adjourn

Motion by Mr. Daniels

Second by Mr. Kalivoda

Unanimously Approved